MSA county designation: Metropolitan AHEC Region: Northwest

# ■ 2005 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS\*■

Physicians		Nurses	
Non-Federal Physicians	343	Registered Nurses	1,682
Primary Care Physicians	135	Nurse Practitioners	59
Family Practice	67	Certified Nurse Midwives	12
General Practice	1	Licensed Practical Nurses	286
Internal Medicine	35	Other Health Professionals	
Obstetrics/Gynecology	21		22
Pediatrics	11	Chiropractors	22
Other Specialties	208	Optometrists	15
Physicians per 10,000 Population	23.0	Pharmacists	125
		Physical Therapists	68
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	9.0	Physical Therapist Assistants	64
		Physician Assistants	54
Federal Physicians**	0	Podiatrists	9
Dentists and Dental Hygienists		Practicing Psychologists	11
Dentists	66	Psychological Associates	24
Dental Hygienists	73	Respiratory Therapists	69

### **■ DEMOGRAPHICS** ■

Projected Population 2005

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	129,692	32,596	79,918	17,178
Nonwhite	19,724	7,741	10,741	1,242
Total	149,416	40,337	90,659	18,420
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.0%	60.7%	12.3%

# Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2005	76,798
Employed 2005	72,006
Unemployed 2005	4,792
Unemployment Rate 2005 (%)	6.2
Per Capita Income 2004	\$27,829
Medicaid Eligibles 2004 (unduplicated count)	25,201

### ■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

### Vital Statistics 2004

(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Resident Births	1,943	Total Pregnancies	2,286	Total Pregnancy Rate	75.4
Resident Deaths	1,327		324	Teen Pregnancy Rate	68.1
% Births <2500 gms	7.2	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	
Infant Mortality Rates 2004					
(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Total	5.1	White	5.4	Nonwhite	3.5
Hospital/Facility Data					
General Hospital Discharges 2004 <sup>+</sup>	15.284	General Hospital Beds 2005 ++	409	Nursing Facility Beds 2005	759

<sup>\*</sup> Numbers reported include those who are active within the profession and those with unknown activity status who were newly licensed in 2005; inactive are excluded.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Includes NC Medical Board licensed federal physicians in the armed services, US Public Health Service, Indian Health Service, and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

<sup>+</sup> Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

<sup>++</sup> Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.